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SUBJECT: USE OF EMBASSY COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES BY
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DEPARTMENT CONCERNED NIGERIANS COULD REACT VERY
NEGATIVELY SHOULD THEY BECOME AWARE PRESS USING EMBASSY
TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES TO EVADE RESTRICTIONS ON
USE OF COMMERCIAL TELEX. THIS COULD BE INTERPRETED AS
VIOLATION NIGERIAN SOVEREIGNTY. GIVEN RECENT PARANOIA
ABOUT US INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES, COULD ALSO EXPOSE
JOURNALISTS TO UNFOUNDED CHARGES. UNLESS EMBASSY SEES
COMPELLING REASON DO OTHERWISE, SUGGEST EMBASSY
COMMUNICATIONS BE USED FOR NON-OFFICIAL PURPOSES ONLY
IN CASES INVOLVING PERSONAL EMERGENCIES.

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